

REMARKS

The Examiner's comments regarding the Information Disclosure Statement is noted, but not understood in view of the fact that all referenced cited on Applicants' Form SB/08A under "Other References - Non-Patent Literature Documents" were all sent together, and seemingly only random few were available to the Examiner for consideration. Applicants submit that this loss or omission or other error at the Patent Office should be resolved in order to correct the file of this application. Accordingly, copies of those published articles not transferred to the Examiner are again submitted, herewith, with copy of the form SB/08A as prepared by the Examiner, for convenient reference of the "omitted" publications.

It is requested that these re-submitted copies of published articles be entered in the file of the subject application for further consideration by the Examiner.

Applicants submit that no fee is due for entry into the file of these published articles as this is merely a correction of what is believed to be Patent Office error regarding these same published articles previously submitted.

Claims 1-8 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) are being anticipated by Tagami et al '433. This rejection is respectfully traversed with respect to these claims as amended herein.

Specifically, independent claims 1 and 8 and the claims which depend therefrom various recite "obtaining the vertical component of an actual ground

reaction force acting on the leg based on which leg or legs are in contact with the ground, the attitude of the leg and the vertical component of acceleration of the center of gravity of the whole body including the leg; obtaining an actual point of application of the ground reaction force based on which leg or legs are in contact with the ground, the attitude of the leg and the vertical component of acceleration of the center of gravity of the whole body including the leg."

These aspects of the claimed invention facilitate calculating an actual ground reaction force and an actual point of application of the ground reaction force, without using force or torque sensors.

In contrast, Tagami et al '433 is understood to rely upon 6-dimensional force and torque sensors, and therefore offers no disclosure or even any incentive for determining, as an example, a vertical component of a ground reaction force acting on a leg, including the attitude of the leg and the vertical component of acceleration of the center of gravity of the whole body including the leg, in the manner as now claimed by Applicants. It is therefore respectfully submitted that amended claims 1-8 are not anticipated by, but instead are now patentably distinguishable over Tagami et al '433.

Entry of this amendment, which is submitted to condition this application for allowance, is respectfully requested. In the event the Examiner decides to continue

rejection of claims, it is requested that this Amendment be entered to clarify the issues for appeal.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney for the Applicants to resolve any remaining matters that may expedite favorable disposition of this application.

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Attachments:

- Copy of Examiner's revisions to SB/08A
- Omitted references *previously submitted* —